

counties of said two districts, and providing for the proper administration of said courts,"

Beg to report same back to the Senate with our recommendation that it do not pass, but that Senate Bill No. 61, as substituted by your committee, as here presented, do pass.

RICHARDS, Chairman.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 20, 1921.
Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills have had Senate Bill No. 53 carefully compared and find same to be correctly engrossed.

HARP, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 20, 1921.
Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Public Lands and Land Office, having under consideration

S. B. No. 56, A bill to be entitled "An Act extending for a period of five years from the date of the permit, on certain specified conditions, all permits to prospect for oil and gas heretofore issued on University land, and Public School land which is unsold at the time this Act goes into effect, and river beds or channels and fresh water lakes and islands therein, which have not expired and extending for a like period and on like conditions all permits to prospect for oil and gas heretofore issued on said land and said areas and all permits to prospect for oil and gas heretofore issued after the Mineral Act of 1917 went into effect, on islands, salt water lakes, bays, inlets, marshes and reefs owned by the State of Texas without tide water limits and that portions of the Gulf of Mexico within the jurisdiction of Texas, which permits have expired at the time this Act goes into effect, but on which the drilling of a well or wells has been begun in good faith or with reference to which permits and the right of the owner of the same to the possession of the area included therein bona fide litigation has existed during the whole or a part of the term of the permit; providing that said permits are extended on the condition that the owner pay to the State annually in advance, during the life of the permit, ten cents per acre, and all

past due payments, and that the owner of the permit shall drill, at the direction of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, such offset well or wells as may be necessary to protect the State's interest in the area included in the permit, and shall resume and diligently continue drilling already begun; and authorizing the Commissioner of the Land Office to forfeit the permit for the failure to make the payments aforesaid or to drill the offset well or wells or to resume or continue drilling; providing, that, if oil or gas should be produced in paying quantities, the owner of the permit shall apply for and obtain a lease upon the area without the payment of any additional sum of money and for a period not to exceed ten years, subject to renewal or renewals, providing for the filing of affidavits with reference to drilling or pendency or litigation, and declaring an emergency,"

Beg to report same back to the Senate with our recommendation that it do pass.

DAVIDSON, Chairman.

TENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas,

Monday, January 24, 1921.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m. pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by President Pro Tem. Paul D. Page.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answering to their names:

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| Bailey. | Lewis. |
| Baugh. | McMillin. |
| Buchanan. | McNealus. |
| Carlock. | Murphy. |
| Clark. | Page. |
| Cousins. | Parr. |
| Darwin. | Richards. |
| Davidson. | Rogers. |
| Dudley. | Watts. |
| Fairchild. | Williams. |
| Floyd. | Witt. |
| Hall. | Wood. |
| Harp. | Woods. |
| Hertzberg. | |

Absent.

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| Bledsoe. | Russell. |
| Dorough. | Suiter. |

Prayer by Rev. Barcus of Fort Worth.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with on motion of Senator McNealus.

Committee Reports.

See Appendix.

Petitions.

See Appendix for brief statements of petitions.

Simple Resolution No. 23.

By Senator Lewis:

Whereas, Hon. W. L. Dean, a distinguished citizen of Texas, and a former member of this body is in the city; therefore, be it

Resolved, that he be extended the privileges of the floor and invited to address the Senate.

The resolution was read and unanimously adopted.

The Chair named Senators Lewis, Bailey and McNealus as a committee to escort former Senator Dean to the president's stand, who, after being introduced, addressed the Senate briefly.

Simple Resolution No. 24.

By Senator Floyd:

In order to relieve the Journal Clerk and First Assistant of the heavy work incident to receiving and preparing the daily Journal, be it

Resolved, That Miss Lillie Stout, an experienced typist and stenographer, be employed as second assistant Journal Clerk, her duties to begin Monday, January 24, at a salary of five dollars per day.

Floyd, McNealus, Watts, Bailey, Murphy, Russell, Lewis, Baugh, McMillin, Richards, Harp, Clark, Fairchild.

The resolution was read and adopted.

Simple Resolution No. 25.

By Senator Dudley:

Resolved, That the clerk to the

Finance be paid \$7.00 per day during his services as such.

The resolution was read and adopted.

Bills and Resolutions.

By Senator Murphy:

S. B. No. 87, A bill to be entitled "An Act relative to governing, controlling and providing for the regulation and supervision of warehouses for the storage of agricultural products; providing regulations relative to agricultural products, making an appropriation out of the State treasury to erect a State owned warehouse and elevators for the storage of cotton, grain and wool and providing for the maintenance thereof; making provision for market and warehouse commissioner and a marketing and warehouse commission and prescribing their duties, powers, functions and compensation; providing for the regulating cotton graders and classers and graders and classers of agricultural products; providing penal provisions of law designed to carry out the purpose of the Act; providing that no unconstitutional portion of the Act shall render void other portions thereof; repealing all laws of the civil statutes relative to warehouses, except the Act passed by the Thirty-sixth Legislature, Chapter 126, being the uniform warehouse law; and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Murphy:

S. B. No. 88, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 61 of Article 30, Title V. of the Revised Statutes changing the time of holding the terms of the District Court of the 61st Judicial District of Texas, repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Judicial Districts.

By Senator Murphy:

S. B. No. 89, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter Forty-six (46) of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, so as to provide that all corporations that are required by law to pay an annual franchise tax shall make a report to the Secretary of State between

the first day of January and the fifteenth day of March, and prescribing what such report shall contain; providing that the Secretary of State may, for good cause shown, extend such time to any date up to the first day of May; providing the date such report shall be made by certain foreign corporations; prescribing penalty for failure to make such report; providing that such report shall be subject to inspection only by persons who are interested directly in the subject matter of such report, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Murphy:

S. B. No. 90, A bill to be entitled "An Act to exempt from taxation all property belonging to Art Leagues and Societies of Fine Arts, whether incorporated or not, which are devoted wholly and without charge to the promotion of education and learning and not for profit, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Carlock:

S. B. No. 91, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit practicing attorneys-at-law in this State from becoming a surety on any appearance bond, appeal bond or recognizance of any person charged with a criminal offense in any of the courts of this State, or from paying or promising to pay, directly or indirectly, any person any money or other thing of value, or compensation whatsoever for becoming a surety on any such bond or recognizance, or from agreeing to hold harmless or to reimburse against loss, directly or indirectly, for the payment of any such bond or recognizance, after the same has been paid by any such surety, and fixing a suitable penalty for the violation of this Act, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Senator Woods:

S. B. No. 92, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the suspension of sentence in certain felony cases, prescribing conditions under which application therefor may be made, the form of such application, the form of judgment where suspension

is recommended by the jury, supervision by the court during the term of suspension, the manner of putting into effect the sentence upon a subsequent conviction for felony, the manner of setting aside the judgment suspending sentence, the manner of collecting, preserving and dispensing information concerning those convicted of felonies, defining "conviction," repealing all laws in conflict and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Civil Jurisprudence.

By Senator Williams:

S. B. No. 93, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 47 of the General Laws of the State of Texas, passed at the Third Called Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, 1920, entitled 'An Act to amend Chapter 111 of the General Laws of the State of Texas, passed at the Regular Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, 1919,' relating to official shorthand reporters' compensation in certain counties and districts in this State; by providing that in a district wherein in any county in the district the term may continue until the business is disposed of, each county shall pay in proportion to the time court is actually held in such county, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Civil Jurisprudence.

By Senator Parr:

S. B. No. 94, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Weslaco Independent School District in Hidalgo County, Texas; defining its boundaries; providing for a board of trustees in said district; conferring upon said district and its boards of trustees all the rights, powers, privileges, and duties now conferred and imposed by the general laws of Texas upon independent school districts and the boards of trustees thereof; declaring that all taxes or bonds heretofore authorized by any former school district included within the bounds thereof shall remain in full force and effect; providing for the appointment of and assessor and collector of taxes and board of equalization for said district; and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

By Senator Parr:

S. B. No. 95, A bill to be entitled

"An Act to amend Section — of Chapter 81 of the Local and Special Laws of the State of Texas passed by the Thirty-sixth Legislature at its Regular Session, so as to redefine with greater certainty the territory within the Donna Independent School District, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

By Senator Parr:

S. B. No. 96, A bill to be entitled "An Act adding to and making a part of the Falfurrias School District in Brooks County, Texas, certain territory therein described; exempting such added territory from the bonded indebtedness of Falfurrias Independent School District now existing against the said district; giving the board of trustees of the Falfurrias Independent School District jurisdiction over the lands and property and inhabitants thereof of the said added territory; validating the incorporation proceedings of the said Falfurrias Independent School District and its bonded indebtedness; providing for the assessing and collecting of taxes for the year 1921 and future years; and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

By Senator Rogers:

S. B. No. 97, A bill to be entitled "An Act for the relief of railway corporations having charters amended since the first day of January, 1896, and which have failed to construct any extension, or any part thereof, authorized by said amendment or amendments, within the time required by law, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Civil Jurisprudence.

By Senator Floyd:

S. B. No. 98, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 78 of the Acts of the Second Called Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature by providing that conviction may be had for violation of any provision of the Act upon the unsupported evidence of an accomplice or participant; providing that such accomplice or participant shall be exempt from prosecution for any offense about which he may be required to testify; providing that the suspended sentence law shall not apply to convictions under the

provisions of said Act, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Senator Davidson:

S. B. No. 99, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3631, Chapter 32, of Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, providing for appeals to the District Court from judgments and orders of the county court in probate matters, regulating pending litigation repealing all laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Civil Jurisprudence.

By Senator Davidson:

S. B. No. 100, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 6645, Title 115, Chapter 14 of the Revised Statutes of 1911 of the State of Texas, so as to abolish the defence of assumed risk as a bar to recovery in any suit against any corporation, receiver or person operating any railroad, street railway or interurban railway in this State for damages for death or for personal injuries to employees thereof, and further defining and regulating the doctrine of contributory negligence in such cases, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Civil Jurisprudence.

By Senator Murphy:

S. J. R. No. 8, Proposing an amendment to Section 52 of Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas by adding to said Section 52 another paragraph to be designated as paragraph (d), authorizing any county, any political subdivision of the county, any number of adjoining counties, or any political subdivision in the State or any defined district here or now after to be described and defined within the State of Texas and which may or may not include towns, villages or municipal corporations, to issue bonds or otherwise lend its credit in any amount not to exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property of such district or territory, as provided in said Section 52 of Article 3 of the State Constitution, for the purpose of constructing State Warehouses, grain elevators and potato curing plants, and pro-

viding that it shall only require a majority vote cast to carry any measure proposed under the section herein added to said Section 52, and making an appropriation therefor."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Executive Session—Time Set For.

Senator Parr asked unanimous consent that the Senate sit in executive session today at 3 o'clock p. m. to consider appointments by the Governor.

Senator McNealus made the point of order that under the rules of the Senate the motion would have to lie over for one day.

The Chair sustained the point of order.

Senator Hertzberg then moved that the time be set for tomorrow at 11 o'clock.

This motion was adopted.

Senate Bill No. 65.

Senator Carlock moved that the Senate rule, requiring printed bills to lie over for one day after being distributed, be suspended for the purpose of considering Senate Bill No. 65.

The motion was unanimously adopted.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 65, A bill to be entitled "An Act to require the giving of an additional supersedeas bond in cases pending on appeal or writ of error in the Supreme Court or the Court of Civil Appeals, wherever, after the execution of the original bond, the same becomes insufficient by reason of the death or insolvency of the sureties on such bond, or from any other cause, and providing for the repeal of all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Senator Bailey offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend the bill by inserting in line 16, page 1, of the printed bill, between the words "District" and "Court" the words "or County."

The bill was read and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Carlock, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and Senate Bill No. 65 put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—28.

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| Bailey. | Lewis. |
| Baugh. | McMillin. |
| Buchanan. | McNealus. |
| Carlock. | Murphy. |
| Clark. | Page. |
| Cousins. | Parr. |
| Darwin. | Richards. |
| Davidson. | Rogers. |
| Dudley. | Russell. |
| Fairchild. | Watts. |
| Floyd. | Williams. |
| Hall. | Witt. |
| Harp. | Wood. |
| Hertzberg. | Woods. |

Absent.

Dorough.

Absent—Excused.

Bledsoe. Suiter.

The bill was read third time and passed, by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

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| Bailey. | Lewis. |
| Baugh. | McMillin. |
| Buchanan. | McNealus. |
| Carlock. | Page. |
| Clark. | Parr. |
| Cousins. | Richards. |
| Davidson. | Russell. |
| Dudley. | Watts. |
| Fairchild. | Williams. |
| Floyd. | Witt. |
| Hall. | Wood. |
| Harp. | Woods. |
| Hertzberg. | |

Nays—1.

Murphy.

Absent.

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| Bledsoe. | Rogers. |
| Darwin. | Suiter. |
| Dorough. | |

Simple Resolution No. 26.

By Senator McNealus:

Whereas, The Hon. Frank W. Wozencroft, Mayor of Dallas, is in

the city. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That he be extended the privileges of the Chamber and be requested to address the Senate.

McNEALUS.

DARWIN.

The resolution was read and adopted.

The Chair appointed Senators McNealus, Carlock and Darwin as a committee to escort Mr. Wozencroft to the president's stand, who, after being introduced, addressed the Senate.

Amending Senate Rules.

Senator McNealus asked unanimous consent to call up the proposed amendment to the rules, and asked that the proposed amendment be divided, and action be taken on the following part of the proposed amendment:

Resolved, That Senate Rule No. 71 be changed to read as follows: "Rule 71. All Conference Committees of the Senate shall be selected and appointed by the Lieutenant Governor or the President Pro Tempore, when the latter shall be presiding."

The amendment to the rule was read and adopted.

Senator McNealus then moved that the following proposed amendment be laid on the table subject to call, which motion was adopted:

Resolved, That Senate Rule No. 92 be amended by adding at the end of Subdivision 1 of said Rule 92 the following words: "Except that children under twelve years of age shall not be admitted to the Chamber but may have with their attendants the privilege of the Senate Reception Room."

Senate Bill No. 56.

Senator Bailey moved that Senate Bill No. 56 be laid on the table subject to call.

The motion was adopted.

Resolution Signed.

The Chair gave notice of signing, and did sign in the presence of the Senate, after its caption had been read, the following resolution:

S. C. R. No. 2, Supporting and pledging financial aid to the Attorney General's Department in defense of the Railroad Commission.

Adjournment.

On motion of Senator Bailey the Senate, at 11 o'clock a. m., adjourned until tomorrow at 10 o'clock.

APPENDIX A.

Committee Reports.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Jan. 20, 1921.

Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 76, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Title 15, Chapter 1 of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, adopted in the year 1911, by adding thereto Article 1019a, defining the offense of negligent assault and battery, fixing a penalty therefor, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

HERTZBERG, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Jan. 20, 1921.

Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 44, A bill to be entitled "An Act to require persons owning, keeping, maintaining, controlling or managing hotels, inns, public lodging houses, or places where sleeping and eating accommodations, or sleeping accommodations only, are furnished to the public, to post in a conspicuous place in the office the plan upon which the hotel is operated and a list of its charges for rooms with or without meals, and to post in each room a placard giving the exact rate of that room with and without meals; defining hotels; providing penalties

for violation of the provisions hereof, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

HERTZBERG, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 20, 1921.
Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 75, A bill to be entitled "An Act to punish the making or use of materially false statements in writing respecting financial conditions for the purpose of obtaining money, property or credit when such money, property or credit amount to more than fifty dollars; whether such statements are made directly or indirectly; making such an offense a felony and prescribing the punishment therefor, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

HERTZBERG, Chairman.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 22, 1921.
Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was submitted

S. J. R. No. 4, Proposing to amend Sections 5, 21, 22, and 23, of Article 4 of the Constitution of the State of Texas relating to compensation of the executive officers of said State,

Have had same under consideration and I am directed by the committee to report said resolution favorably to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass.

WOODS, Chairman.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 22, 1921.
Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred

S. J. R. No. 2, Proposing an amendment to Section 3 of Article 7

limiting the amount of poll tax collected by the State to fifty cents; giving the Legislature authority to authorize incorporated towns and cities to collect a poll tax not to exceed fifty cents, and by counties, not to exceed twenty-five cents,

Have had same under consideration and I am directed by the committee to report said resolution favorably to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass.

WOODS, Chairman.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 22, 1921.
Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was submitted

S. J. R. No. 1, Proposing an amendment to Section 2, Article 6 of the Constitution of the State of Texas by providing that only native born or naturalized citizens of the United States shall be qualified electors in this State, and permitting either the husband or the wife to pay the poll tax of the other and receive the receipt therefor, and permitting the Legislature to authorize absentee voting,

Have had same under consideration and I am directed by the committee to report said resolution favorably to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass.

WOODS, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 22, 1921.
Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 52, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 28, Chapter 190 of the laws passed by the Thirty-fifth Legislature of the State of Texas, Regular Session, pages 424-425 of the published laws, the Act creating and establishing a State Highway Department, and creating a State Highway Commission, and providing for the distribution to the counties of a part of the moneys received from the registration fees of all motor vehicles and motorcycles; and approved by the Governor, April 4th, 1917, by striking out the words 'in accordance with the plans approved by the State Highway Department,' at the end of Section 23, so

that Section 23, Chapter 190, shall hereafter read as follows; and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass, but that Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 52, accompanying this report do pass in lieu thereof.

BAILEY, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 22, 1921.

Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 67, A bill to be entitled "An Act to be entitled 'An Act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 91 of the General Laws of the State of Texas,' passed by the Thirty-fifth Legislature at its Regular Session; to fix the time for holding the terms of the District Court in the various counties composing the 81st Judicial District of Texas; to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act, and to declare an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

BAILEY, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 22, 1921.

Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 55, A bill to be entitled "An Act to Amend Article 1551, Chapter 9, Title 31, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, and also to amend Article 1627, Title 32, Chapter 9, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, so as to provide, in substance, that when the judgment of the lower court is affirmed or reversed and rendered, that the Court of Civil Appeals or the Supreme Court in which said suit is pending, shall, at the same time render judgment against the party appealing, together with the sureties on the appeal, or supersedeas bond for the amount of the judgment so rendered, and providing that the said Court shall make such disposition as to costs as may be deemed proper; to

repeal all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

BAILEY, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, Jan. 22, 1921.

Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 63, A bill to be entitled "An Act to appeal Article 4703 of Chapter 1, Title 70, and Article 5686, Chapter 2, Title 87, of the Revised Statutes of Texas of 1911, relating to survival of causes of action for personal injuries or injuries resulting in death, and providing for the survival of causes of action for injuries resulting in death where the Tort-feasor dies before suit is instituted, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

BAILEY, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, Jan. 22, 1921.

Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 45, A bill to be entitled "An Act repealing Article 7380, Title 126, Chapter 2, Revised Civil Statutes, 1911, providing for the payment of an occupation tax by individuals, companies, corporations, and associations in this state selling pistols, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

BAILEY, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, Jan. 22, 1921.

Hon. Lynch Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 70, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the nomination of candidates for judicial offices, viz.: District Judge, Judge of

the Court of Civil Appeals, Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals and Judge of the Supreme Court by the different political parties in this State, by conventions, under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the executive committees of said parties; repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

BAILEY, Chairman.

ELEVENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,

Tuesday, January 25, 1921.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Lynch Davidson.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answering to their names:

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| Bailey. | NcMillin. |
| Baugh. | McNealus. |
| Buchanan. | Murphy. |
| Carlock. | Page. |
| Clark. | Parr. |
| Cousins. | Richards. |
| Darwin. | Rogers. |
| Davidson. | Russell. |
| Dudley. | Suiter. |
| Fairchild. | Watts. |
| Floyd. | Williams. |
| Kall. | Witt. |
| Harp. | Wood. |
| Hertzberg. | Woods. |
| Lewis. | |

Absent.

Bledsoe.

Absent—Excused.

Dorough.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with on motion of Senator McNealus.

Committee Reports.

See Appendix.

Bills and Resolutions.

By Senator McNealus:

S. B. No. 101, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 16 of Chapter 190 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, as amended by Section 2 of Chapter 71 of the General Laws of the Fourth Called Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, and as amended by Section 1, Chapter 113 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature by increasing the annual license fee on commercial vehicles and interurban commercial vehicles, and amending Section 16a added to Chapter 190 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature by Section 2 of Chapter 113 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-Sixth Legislature by increasing the license fee on commercial and interurban commercial vehicles based upon carrying capacity and per mile traveled, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Internal Improvements.

By Senator Buchanan:

S. B. No. 102, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the appointment by the Board of Directors of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas of a State Forester, prescribing his qualifications, defining his duties and powers of said Board, authorizing them to acquire lands for the establishment of tree nurseries and the distribution of trees to the citizens of this State; authorizing the establishment of State forests for demonstration purposes, authorizing the establishment of State forests on lands now belonging to the State, and the acquiring of title in the name of the State to lands and forests necessary for such purposes; vesting in said Board the care, custody, control and regulation of such lands; authorizing the disposition by sale, license, permit or other appropriate means of any timber or other products, and to lease under limited permit such land, water or other resources of State forests for a reasonable charge; providing that all State lands coming under the provisions of said Act, together with all lands acquired by the Board, shall be subject to all county